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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S LETTER OF SYMPATHY TO MRS. CHARLES E.
BOHLEN

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF THE SECRETARY'S LETTER OF
SYMPATHY TO MRS. BOHLEN WHICH IS BEING RELEASED TO THE
PRESS:

JANUARY 2, 1974

DEAR MRS. BOHLEN:

THE DEATH OF YOUR HUSBAND HAS FILLED ALL OF HIS
FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND
THE FOREIGN SERVICE WITH A DEEP SENSE OF LOSS. I SHARE
THIS SORROW, KNOWING AS I DO HOW MUCH THE FOREIGN SERVICE
MEANT TO HIM, AND HOW MUCH HE CONTRIBUTED TO HIS COUNTRY.
I FEEL, AS WELL, A DEEP SENSE OF PERSONAL LOSS, FOR HE
WAS A CLOSE PERSONAL FRIEND.

CHIP BOHLEN WILL BE REMEMBERED NOT ONLY AS AN
OUTSTANDING EXPERT ON THE SOVIET UNION, AS A RESPECTED
COUNSELOR TO PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES OF STATE, AND AS
A DISTINGUISHED AMBASSADOR, BUT ABOVE ALL AS A WARM HUMAN
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BEING WHOSE INTEGRITY AND CHARM WON HIM THE AFFECTION AND

LOYALTY OF ALL THOSE WHO KNEW HIM. HE BOTH REPRESENTED
AND HELPED TO CREATE THE BEST TRADITIONS OF THE FOREIGN

SERVICE.

YOUR HUSBAND'S MEMORY WILL BE WITH US ALWAYS, AND
SERVE AS AN INSPIRATION AND EXAMPLE TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW
HIM IN THE AMERICAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN HAVE MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY
AND WARMEST GOOD WISHES.

SINCERELY,

HENRY A. KISSINGER RUSH

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